

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND  
MILITARY ARMISTICE COMMISSION  
APO 301

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOURTH MEETING OF THE SECRETARIES

HELD AT MAC HQ AREA, KOREA

7 JANUARY 1961

MEMBERS PRESENT

UNITED NATIONS COMMAND

LT COL ELDEEN H. KAUFFMAN, USA

KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY

CHINESE PEOPLE'S VOLUNTEERS

COLONEL RIM GI JE, KPA

COLONEL HAN JU KYONG, KPA

Meeting convened at 1030 hours

KPA/CPV:

Recently one fishing boat of our side which went out to sea off the east coast for fishing has been in distress owing to severe wind and high sea.

Our side has been locating the whereabouts of our fishing vessel in distress and has learned from a news dispatch of your side that the vessel and our fishermen aboard her are staying at your side now.

The said fishing vessel of our side is an engine boat, RYUNHAP No. 2, belonging to the SANG-SAN fisheries cooperative of ANBYUN County, KANGWUN Province. There was a crew of eight including the skipper, KIM JAI GEUN, aboard the vessel. They left WUNSAN harbor on December 28, 1960, for the purpose of catching pollacks and met with the disaster while catching fish on the sea of SIMPO.

I demand that your side return at an early time KIM JAI GEUN and 7 other fishermen of our side now staying at your side along with their vessel.

UNC:

Your statement is noted.

Your side will be informed at an appropriate time of the results of the investigation now being conducted.

KPA/CPV:

I have noted your statement that your side will notify

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our side after the investigation is finished.

Our fishermen now staying at your side should all be returned to our side without delay for they are people having encountered a disaster during their fishing operations

Inasmuch as it has been officially announced by your side that the said fishermen of our side are people in distress and that they are now staying at your side, our side does not consider any further investigation necessary.

If it is deemed necessary by your side to have a certain period of time to go through the formalities in sending our fishermen back to our side, I am convinced that your side will take such steps as soon as possible and send our fishermen together with their fishing vessel back to our side promptly.

I have a statement to make on another subject.

Around 1558 hours, our time, on January 5, 1961, two military jet aircraft of your side coming from the south overflew the Military Demarcation Line in the vicinity of SHINCHON-RI 38 degrees 17 minutes 50 seconds North, 127 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds East, to intrude into the air space over the vicinity of OSUNG-SAN 38 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds North, 127 degrees 27 minutes 10 seconds East, in the territory under the military control of our side, and veering west to pass the air space over the vicinity of DOORYOO-BONG 38 degrees 21 minutes 05 seconds North, 127 degrees 20 minutes 35 seconds East, flew away in the direction of CHOLWON of your side.

I have been instructed to lodge a serious protest with your side against the hostile act of your side having infiltrated its military aircraft into the air space over the territory of our side again in violation of paragraph 16 of the Armistice Agreement from the very beginning of the New Year.

At the same time, I strongly demand that your side

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severely punish all of your personnel involved in the recent hostile act in conformity with the Armistice Agreement and that your side take thorough action to prevent recurrence of similar incidents in the future.

UNC:

Your statement is noted.

The charge you have made concerning the alleged air violation will be investigated.

KPA/CPV:

I demand that your side conduct a thorough investigation as required by the Armistice Agreement, punish its personnel involved, and take responsible action to prevent a recurrence of similar hostile acts in the future.

I go to another subject.

At the 221st Secretaries meeting held on November 25, 1960, our side pointed out to 71 cases of violation by your side of the Armistice Agreement as well as agreements and understandings in the Demilitarized Zone, which were recorded by our side in the two months from September 1st to November 2nd, 1960, such as introducing large numbers of automatic weapons into the Demilitarized Zone to let the Civil Police of your side carry them, and entry into the Zone of your side's personnel and vehicles without prescribed distinctive insignia and markings.

But due to the irresponsible and insincere attitude of your side, the number of similar violations of the Armistice Agreement, as well as agreement and understanding, is sharply increasing instead of being brought to an end. Seventy-seven cases of similar violations by your side again took place in the period from November 2nd to December 15th, 1960.

I now pass to your side Korean and English lists containing a detailed account of your side's violation of the

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Armistice Agreement, as well as agreements and understandings

I lodge by order a strong protest with your side against continuously violating the Armistice Agreement as well as agreements and understandings, despite the repeated protests and warnings from our side.

I also demand that your side conduct thorough-going investigations into your side's violations of the Armistice Agreement, as well as agreements and understandings, that your side strictly punish in accordance with sub-paragraph 13e of the Armistice Agreement all of your personnel involved in the violations, that your side immediately carry all the illegally introduced automatic weapons out of the Demilitarized Zone, and that your side take responsible measures to prevent the recurrence of similar violations in the future.

UNC:

Your statement is noted.

In keeping with the letter and spirit of the Armistice Agreement, the United Nations Command will conduct a complete and thorough investigation of the list of alleged violations you have just passed.

KPA/CPV:

I have noted your statement that investigations will be conducted into the cases of your violations of the Armistice Agreement, as well as agreements and understandings against which our side today lodged a protest with your side.

I demand that your side make thorough-going investigations into the cases and punish the personnel involved as required by the terms of the Armistice Agreement, and that your side take responsible measures to prevent the recurrence of similar incidents.

That's all I wanted to bring up at today's meeting.

Has your side anything to offer for discussion?

UNC:

I have nothing to bring up!

KPA/CPV:

Once again I demand that your side send back to our side at an early date all of our fishermen as well as their fishing boats that have been in distress and is now in the custody of your side.

Let us finish the meeting!

UNC:

I agree to your proposal to recess.

Meeting recessed at 1103 hours

Following UNC Advisory Group Members attended:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>
Australia	Major Peter F. Cleland
France	Major Marcel Herault
Republic of Korea	Lt Col CHOI, Duk Bin
New Zealand	Sqn Ldr F. J. McDavitt
Thailand	Major Kanchanabvndhu Vichien
United States of America	Lt Col Charles A. Riegle